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SUBJECT: LIVESTOCK TEAM VISIT TO PRAGUE

AMEMBASSY PRAGUE FOR KAHANE

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1. WHILE ON ROUTINE VISIT TO PRAGUE AGATT JOINED CLARK FROM WORLD WIDE SIRES AND BACHMANN FROM HOLSTEIN FRIESIAN IN THEIR DISCUSSION WITH CZECH LIVESTOCK OFFICIALS AS PREVIOUSLY ARRANGED. EMBASSY ARRANGED IN ADVANCE MEETING WITH APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS POSSIBILITY SALES OF CATTLE BREEDING MATERIAL TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

2. ALTHOUGH CZECH VETERINARY REGULATION STILL MAJOR OBSTACLE FOR SALES US BREEDING CATTLE, SALES POSSIBILITY FOR FROZEN SEMEN MUCH MORE ENCOURAGING APPARENTLY BECAUSE COMPLIANCE WITH VETERINARY RULES FOR THIS PRODUCT IS POSSIBLE. CLARK THOUGHT HIS PRODUCTS COULD FULLY COMPLY WITH THE CZECH VETERINARY REQUIREMENTS.

3. FINAL MEETING WITH KOOSPOL (CZECH TRADING COMPANY RESPONSIBLE FOR LIVESTOCK) REVEALED CZECHS VERY MUCH INTERESTED

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CONTINUE IMPROVING DAIRY HERD VIA SEMEN AND COULD POSSIBLY

BE CONSUMMATING CONTRACT SOMETIME IN SPRING 1975 IF CZECH
VETERINARY REQUIREMENTS FULLY MET.

4. ALTHOUGH NO SPECIFIC QUANTITIES DISCUSSED IMPRESSION GAINED
WAS THAT INITIALLY AT LEAST QUANTITIES MAY BE SMALL. NEVER-
THELESS IF SUCCEEDS IT WOULD STILL BE A BREAKTHROUGH FOR AMER-
ICAN CATTLE BREEDING MATERIAL FOR THE CZECH MARKET.HUMES

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